MEETING DATE: March 5th, 2019

MEETING PLACE: 13016 BELLE RIVER ROAD, RILEY, MICHIGAN 48041

Meeting called to order by Supervisor Titus at 7:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Trustee Mark Baranowski, present; Trustee Duane Hagle, excusedabsent; Clerk Deborah Rhein, present; Treasurer Dawn Sawicki-Franz, present; Supervisor Al Titus, present.

Roll Call

Citizens Wishing to Address the Board: Mark Abbey wished to discuss the water over Braidwood Road north of the expressway, and the need for ditching on Braidwood Road both north and south of the expressway. Titus stated that he had authorized a load of stone to be put in the area, and that the road commission will go and take a look at the area to assess the need for ditching.

Citizens

Guest Speakers: N/A

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Accept Agenda: Baranowski motioned to accept the agenda with the following corrections: Under New Business: Add letter 'C' ACH Policy and Resolution; Add letter 'D' Budget Amendments; Add letter 'E' Refuse Removal from vacant and retired parcels, seconded by Rhein. All in favor, motion carried.

Accept Agenda

Approve Minutes from February 5th, 2019: Rhein motioned to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Baranowski. All in favor, motion carried.

Approve Minutes

Consent Agenda: Baranowski motioned to accept the Consent Agenda with the Treasurer's Summary, Monthly Bills, and Bond Refunds as presented, seconded by Titus. All in favor, motion carried.

Consent Agenda

Old Business:

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A. Roads: Titus discussed the most recent meeting with the St. Clair County Road Commission. The Hough Road bridge project was a center point of discussion at that meeting. Titus stated that the bridge project does not qualify for federal funding due to the low volume of traffic, so they have resorted to state funding. If Riley Township accepts the \$200,000 being offered by the state, then the project would have to be opened up to a public bidding process, and that in turn, would increase the cost of the project from \$200,000, to \$400,000. The county is looking into completing the project themselves, and they estimate a cost of \$250,000. Titus stated that he had applied for local road assistance, which is a 50/50 share. Titus stated that the local road trip is scheduled for April 12th at 8:00 am. Sawicki-Franz stated that the prices of gravel and chloride were going up slightly for the new-year, and the price of limestone will be staying the same.

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B. Fire: Sawicki-Franz stated that she had reached out to the Deerfield Hartland Fire Department to speak to them about the Fire Authority project that they had worked on. Discussion followed.

- C. Collections: Sawicki-Franz motioned to send invoice # 3306 in the amount of \$1,620 to collections, seconded by Baranowski. All in favor, motion carried. Titus motioned to waive invoice # 3352, seconded by Sawicki-Franz. All in favor, motion carried. Rhein motioned to remove invoice # 3263 from collections and charge 10% collections fee, and 5% administrative fee to the responsible party, seconded by Sawicki-Franz. All in favor, motion carried. Rhein motioned to reduce invoice # 3359 to the amount of \$500 due to multiple bills incurred in the same month, seconded by Baranowski. All in favor, motion carried.
- D. 609 Burnell Road Property: Estimates for proposed work to the building were discussed. Rhein motioned to conduct a survey on 609 Burnell up to \$1000.00, seconded by Baranowski. All in favor, motion carried. Titus motioned to plan a meeting with the Richmond Lenox EMS, their attorney, and the township attorney Robert Vickrey to discuss incorporating Richmond Lenox EMS into the 609 Burnell property, seconded by Sawicki-Franz. All in favor, motion carried.
- E. Zoning Amendment Section 924 Fence and Walls-UPDATE: Titus stated that he is waiting for an amended copy from Robert Vickrey. Titus motioned to table until the amended copy is received, seconded by Sawicki-Franz. All in favor, motion carried.
- F. Farmland Agreement with Rodzos Family Farms: Rhein motioned to approve the rental agreement for the vacant farmland for the 2019 planting year, seconded by Baranowski. All in favor, motion carried.

New Business:

- A. Lawn Contract 2019 Season: Sawicki-Franz motioned to hire Richard Ellis for the 2019 grass cutting season, seconded by Baranowski. All in favor, motion carried.
- B. Fire Authority Resolution and Appointment: Titus motioned to approve Resolution # 09-19 Fire Authority Feasibility, seconded by Rhein. Roll Call: Baranowski-yes, Sawicki-Franz-yes, Rhein-yes, Titus-yes. All in favor, motion carried.
- C. ACH Policy/Resolution: The possibility of paying the regular bills and paying payroll via ACH was discussed. Sawicki-Franz motioned to accept ACH Policy #45 as presented, and Resolution # 10-19 as presented, seconded by Baranowski. Roll Call: Titus-yes, Rhein-yes,

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Baranowski-yes, Sawicki-Franz-yes. All in favor, motion carried.

- D. Budget Amendments: Sawicki-Franz presented 35 amendments to the budget. Sawicki-Franz motioned to accept budget amendment 11199 as presented, seconded by Titus. All in favor, motion carried.
- E. Refuse Removal from Vacant/Retired Parcels: Sawicki-Franz motioned to remove the trash and administration fees from 5 vacant land/retired parcels, seconded by Rhein. All in favor, motion carried.

Committee Reports:

- A. Planning Commission: There was no meeting
- B. Parks and Recreation: Titus motioned to pay Florence Sawicki half pay for her time invested in the February Coffee Chat, which was cancelled, seconded by Baranowski. All in favor, motion carried.
- C. Zoning Board of Appeals: There was no meeting.
- D. Ordinance Enforcement: The Riley Township Ordinance Enforcement Officer, Paul Wilson, discussed 3 blight cases. Resident Joseph Feliccia discussed the blight case at his property. He stated that he will reach out to Paul Wilson to discuss what action he will take in order to rectify the situation.

Correspondence: A resident sent a letter to the township regarding the blight complaint at his property. Rhein discussed the invitation to the State of the County Address that was received.

Announcements: N/A

Closing Comments from the Board: Rhein discussed the Capital Conference that she attended

Next Regular Meeting: March 19th, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.

Motion to adjourn made by Baranowski, seconded by Sawicki-Franz. All in favor, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

Rachel Reid, Recording Secretary

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Next Meeting

Adjournment

RILEY TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING MINUTES

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Approved 3/19/2019	~
Deborah Rhein, Riley Township Clerk	